

# **The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer**

## **The Power of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer**

- Holy Spirit:
  - Deity: - Genesis 1:1 - El, Elah, Elohim
  - Deuteronomy 6:4 – Shema  
God – Elohim  
One – echad (compound unity)
  - Personality: - Characteristics of a Person
  - Personal acts ascribed to Him
  - Receive treatment as a Person
  - Identified with Father and Son as Person

### **The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer (Inward)**

- Topic Overview:
  - What is the intended work of the Holy Spirit in a believer? (specific line)

#### **The Holy Spirit as Helper**

- John 14:16
  - “And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—”*
  - another (“allos”) = of the same quality/kind  
 (“heteros”) = of a different quality/kind
  - Helper (“parakletos”) = one who comes alongside to help
- The Holy Spirit is a helper Who comes alongside us to guide us in our Christian walk.

#### **The Holy Spirit as Teacher**

- John 14:26
  - “But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.”*
- The Holy Spirit is our Teacher.
  - When we are born again we are made spiritually alive.
  - In this spiritual realm we can be taught by Him to understand the things of God
    - things that are beyond our intellect and experience
  - 2 Corinthians 4:18
    - “while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.”*
  - Greek Language Example of Matthew 22:37 and 1 Timothy 4:13
- 1 John 2:27
  - “But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.”*
  - Safeguard against cults who require reading “their” books
  - CCCR is not at all afraid of what will happen when you read the Word...do it!
  - Balanced with Ephesians 4 ministry gift of “pastor/teacher”
    - > man teaches the truth and the Spirit bears witness in our lives

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- Author of the Bible (2 Peter 1:20-21) is available to teach us!
  - > He inspired the Word and,
  - > He illuminates it to our hearts!
- The Holy Spirit brings remembrance of Scriptures.
  - recall for His purposes
  - reason why we want to read the Bible
- 1 Corinthians 2:13,14  
*“These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.”*
  - “scholars” of today: many not even born again yet claiming authority
  - natural minds trying to comprehend the Scriptures
  - placing themselves as the “authority”
- Examples: - Peter quoted and taught Scripture (Acts 2:14-39 -> Joel & Psalms)
  - > Acts 4:13 – “uneducated and untrained”, but, filled with Spirit
  - Stephen’s layout of Scripture sermon (Acts 7 -> Genesis & Prophets)
    - > Acts 7:55 – “full of the Holy Spirit”
  - Jesus Luke 12:12 – “Holy Spirit in that hour will teach you what to say”

### The Holy Spirit as Guide

- John 16:12-13  
*“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”*
- The Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth.
  - He will give us discernment to judge between true and false teachings
  - Read the Bible with the Spirit as our guide we will not stray from the truth.

### The Holy Spirit in Prophecy

- John 16:13  
*“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”*
- The Holy Spirit will show us things to come.
- The Spirit will help us to understand the prophecies in the books of Daniel and Revelation.

**\* THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL HELP US IN TEACHING AND INSTRUCTING HOW TO WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH (JOHN 4:24).**

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### The Power of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer (Outward)

- Topic Overview:
  - The work of the Holy Spirit in our lives if we are a believer to:
    - to give us the power to be a witness for Jesus Christ,
    - to give us the power to be ALL God wants us to be.

### The Promise of the Spirit

- Luke 24:49
  - “Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.”*
- Acts 1:4-5
  - “And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, “which,” He said, “you have heard from Me; 5 for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”*
- The promise by the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the believers
- Joel 2:28
  - “And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh..”*
- The Father said that in the last days He would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh.

### The Power of the Spirit

- Luke 24:49
    - “Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.”*
  - Acts 1:8
    - “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”*
  - The Holy Spirit gives us the power to live the Christian life as a witness for God.
    - It is *impossible* to live the Christian life without the power of the Spirit in us.
- Romans 7:15-25
- “15 For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do. 16 If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that it is good. 17 But now, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. 18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. 19 For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice. 20 Now if I do what I will not to do, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. 21 I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good. 22 For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. 23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24 O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? 25 I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.”*

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Galatians 5:17-18

*“17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.*

*18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.”*

Matthew 26:41

*“Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”*

- Jesus Christ is our example of the witness that we should be.

John 14:8-9

*“8 Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.”*

*9 Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”*

Revelation 3:14 – Jesus is the Faithful and True Witness

- The word power in Greek is “dunamis” where we get the English word “dynamic”.

- The true witness lives their faith

-> who we are and how we live vs. what we “say”

-> simply living the Christian life before people and letting them see Jesus

-> people should know what Jesus is like just by looking at us

• Example in Peter’s life:

- Before Peter received the power of the Holy Spirit:

-> he was afraid to be identified with Jesus (Mark 14:53-72)

-> even though he wanted to (Mark 14:27-31)

- After Peter received the power of the Holy Spirit:

-> he witnessed boldly to the same group of people who had tried Jesus (Acts 4:5-23)

-> even telling them there was no salvation apart from Christ

-> then when he went back to the Christians, they prayed for greater boldness (Acts 4:23-31)

**\* THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT CHANGES US FROM WITHIN WHAT WE CANNOT AND TRY TO DO FROM THE OUTSIDE-IN AS WE WIN THE BATTLE OF THE FLESH BY YIELDING EACH AREA OF OUR LIVES TO HIM.**

\* Conclusion:

• God’s ideal:

- Ephesians 4:13

*“till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;”*

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- Romans 8:29

*“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.”*

- Transform us by the renewing of our minds:

Romans 12:2

*“And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”*

- Conform us into the image of Jesus Christ:

2 Corinthians 3:18

*“But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.”*

- Fill us with His agape love

John 13:35

*“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”*

- Yield to the power of the Holy Spirit...”supernaturally natural”

**THE WORKING OF THE WORD OF GOD BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
TO CONFORM US INTO THE IMAGE OF JESUS CHRIST TO BE A WITNESS OF  
GOD’S LOVE FOR A LOST AND HURTING WORLD.**